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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**300.00****Complete if Known**

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| Application Number | 10/799,373 |
| Filing Date | March 12, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor | Chantal AMALRIC |
| Examiner Name | |
| Art Unit | 1713 |
| Attorney Docket No. | Serie 6081 |

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

| Fee Description | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) |
|---|----------|-----------------------|
| Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent | 50 | 25 |
| Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent | 200 | 100 |
| Multiple dependent claims | 360 | 180 |

Total Claims 26 - 20 or HP = 6 x 50 = 300 **Fee Paid (\$)**

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims 2 - 3 or HP = 0 x 200 = 0 **Fee Paid (\$)**

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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|-------------------|--------------|--|------------|---------------|
| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
| <u>26</u> - 100 = | <u>6</u> | <u>1</u> / 50 = | <u>250</u> | <u>250</u> |

(round up to a whole number) x =

4. OTHER FEE(S)

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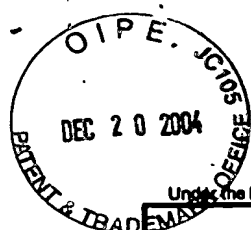
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| Name (Print/Type) | <u>Linda K. Russell</u> | Date | <u>Dec. 15, 2004</u> | | |

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Substitute for Form PTO-875

Application or Docket Number

Serie 6081

| APPLICATION AS FILED - PART I | | | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | |
|---|---|--------------|--------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| 3/12/04 | (Column 1) | (Column 2) | RATE (\$) | FEE (\$) | RATE (\$) | FEE (\$) |
| FOR | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | | | | |
| BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a), (b), or (c)) | N/A | N/A | N/A | | N/A | \$770 |
| SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.16(d), (f), or (m)) | N/A | N/A | N/A | | N/A | |
| EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.16(e), (p), or (q)) | N/A | N/A | N/A | | N/A | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(i)) | 17 minus 20 = | 0 | x = | | x \$18 = | 0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(h)) | 1 minus 3 = | 0 | x = | | x \$86 = | 0 |
| APPLICATION SIZE FEE (37 CFR 1.16(s)) | If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). | | | | | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(j)) | | | N/A | | N/A | |
| | | | TOTAL | | TOTAL | \$770 |

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.

| APPLICATION AS AMENDED - PART II | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | |
|----------------------------------|---|------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
| 12/15/04 | (Column 1) | (Column 2) | (Column 3) | RATE (\$) | ADDITIONAL FEE (\$) | RATE (\$) | ADDITIONAL FEE (\$) | |
| AMENDMENT A | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | | | | | |
| | Total (37 CFR 1.16(i)) | 26 Minus | 20 | = | 6 | x \$50 = | 300 | |
| | Independent (37 CFR 1.16(n)) | 2 Minus | 3 | = | 0 | x \$200 = | 0 | |
| | Application Size Fee (37 CFR 1.16(s)) | | | | | | | |
| | FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(j)) | | | | | | | |
| AMENDMENT B | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | | | | | |
| | Total (37 CFR 1.16(i)) | Minus | | = | | x = | | |
| | Independent (37 CFR 1.16(n)) | Minus | | = | | x = | | |
| | Application Size Fee (37 CFR 1.16(s)) | | | | | | | |
| | FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(j)) | | | | | | | |
| | | | | TOTAL ADD'L FEE | | TOTAL ADD'L FEE | \$300 | |

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